



ISAIAH 62 PRAYER INITIATIVE



In lieu of our monthly prayer call, we will join our Jerusalem Headquarters for these two special events:

Isaiah 62 Global Prayer Meeting

Calling To God Together Christians and Jews Reading

Through the Psalms

Date: Wednesday, April 1st
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am (EST)
Place: Online: Zoom Webinar platform

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Date: Thursday, April 2nd
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am (EST)
Place: Online: Zoom Webinar platform

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Dear Prayer Warriors,

Within a few short weeks, the whole world as we know it has changed. The new Coronavirus has left entire countries in lockdown, international travel at a standstill and the global economy reeling. Surely, this plague is a sign of the End Times.

These last days are marked by increasing polarization: “He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.” (Revelation 22:11) It is a time when darkness gets darker and the light shines more brightly.

Therefore, let us draw near to God and ask Him to reveal areas in our lives where we need to repent. He is the good Vinedresser: Every branch that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. (John 15:1-2) This is the time of pruning ...

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APRIL PRAYER POINTS

1. Prayer for Israel and the Nations

A. Israel Battles Coronavirus Amid Political Chaos:

Like so many other nations, Israel is waging an intense battle against the coronavirus – yet it is doing so while Israel’s 16-month political impasse grows worse by the day. The nation now has over 2500 confirmed cases of COVID-19, with five deaths as of this writing. The virus continues to spread so the lockdown within the nation has been tightened. However, the caretaker government’s early decisions to cancel flights and keep people at home should slow the infection rate and help mitigate the health crisis here in Israel.

This is all thanks to the skillful and assertive leadership of acting Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who has urgently called on his chief rival Benny Gantz of

the Blue & White party to join him in an emergency unity government to fight the virus. Gantz was hesitant, however, as he also had a way of blocking Netanyahu's path to staying on as prime minister through a Knesset bill. Things could quickly change by the time we pray on Wednesday, but this game of political brinkmanship amid a severe health crisis has many warning of a serious breakdown of Israel's democratic system.

- We urge you to continue joining us in earnest prayer that the Lord would move mightily to spare lives and to eliminate the suffering and fear caused by the coronavirus, both in Israel and worldwide.
- Pray that God's will would be accomplished in the earth amid this global crisis, including among the Jewish people and within the Body of Christ.
- Pray that multitudes would humble themselves, examine their lives and come to truly fear and trust in the Lord God our Maker.
- Pray that the Lord would enable medical experts and government authorities to quickly contain and eradicate this menace to public health around the globe.
- Pray that Israel would be the nation to come up with the solution to nullify this threat – whether by effective treatments or vaccines. Finally, pray with us that this global health crisis would begin to subside by the week of Passover (April 8-16).
- Please pray that the newly-elected leaders of Israel would find the grace to humble themselves and agree on a way forward together, for the common good of the whole country.
- Pray for the political differences to evaporate as the party leaders realize the gravity of the moment and the need for a unified response.
- Pray that as the Passover season approaches, the Lord would intervene in Israel's dilemma and steer this nation towards its redemptive destiny in God.

Scriptures to use:

- *"Then Phinehas stood up and intervened, and the plague was stopped."* (Psalm 106:30)
- *"O Israel, hope in the Lord; For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is abundant redemption."* (Psalm 130:7)
- *"Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil..."* (Hebrews 2:14)

2. Pray for the ICEJ

A. ICEJ's Response to the Corona Crisis in Israel

Over recent weeks, Israel has taken drastic measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus threat. This includes closing most businesses and official orders to remain at home except under very limited circumstances. As a result, the ICEJ offices in Jerusalem are closed, with staff members working from their respective homes – the same situation facing many nations at present.

However, we are continuing to carry on our operations and also are finding incredible new opportunities to help those in need. All the elderly, including thousands of Holocaust survivors, have been told to stay in their homes as a health precaution, and many are now isolated and living in fear. The ICEJ is helping to feed and care for many survivors and other senior citizens, including the residents of our Haifa Home for Holocaust Survivors. It is also time for our annual Passover distributions to take place ahead of this important holiday. In addition, Jewish families are still making Aliyah to Israel amid the Corona crisis, and the ICEJ is continuing to sponsor Aliyah flights and absorption projects.

- Please pray for the ICEJ staff in Jerusalem and our national offices worldwide, that we will be able to function effectively amid the coronavirus crisis.
- Pray that doors would continue to open for the Christian Embassy to minister to as many Israelis in need as possible at this difficult time.
- Pray that contributions would continue to flow in to fund the regular work as well as the new initiatives, even in spite of the global economic downturn of recent weeks.
- Pray that we would be able to feed and take care of more Holocaust survivors and elderly Israelis.
- Pray that the monies will be there to sponsor more Aliyah flights for Jews wanting to come home to Israel over the coming weeks and months, as well as projects to help with their successful absorption.
- Pray that the ICEJ will be able financially and physically to carry out all the Passover assistance projects planned for coming weeks as we approach this special holiday season.

Scriptures to use:

“For the Lord will have mercy on Jacob, and will still choose Israel, and settle them in their own land. The strangers will be joined with them, and they will cling to the house of Jacob.” (Isaiah 14:1)

“Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through

Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation..." (2 Corinthians 5:18)

B. ICEJ Feast of Tabernacles

Despite all the uncertainty caused by the coronavirus pandemic, the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem fully intends to host our annual Feast of Tabernacles celebration here in Jerusalem in October. Zechariah 14:16 says to "keep the Feast" and that is precisely what we will do. However, we need much wisdom and foresight in knowing how to adjust our Feast planning over coming months to fit the situation ahead.

- Please pray for our leadership team to know how to plan this particular Feast according to the leading of the Lord.
- Pray that we will know the right speakers and worship leaders, both in Israel and from abroad, to invite to minister at the Feast.
- Pray that our decisions about each Feast event would be inspired by the Holy Spirit in line with His foreordained will and plans for this appointed gathering.
- Pray that our national directors and tour leaders would have astounding success in recruiting Feast pilgrims from their countries.
- Pray that we would have more than enough team members to come serve at the Feast.
- Pray that international flights to Tel Aviv and entry into Israel from various countries will all be fully restored well before the Feast.

Scripture to use:

"And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles."
(Zechariah 14:16)

"For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding..." (Colossians 1:9)

Thank you for joining with us in prayer!